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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: OVIP (FAIRBANK, JOHN K.)

SUBJECT: FAIRBANK VISIT

1. PROFESSOR FAIRBANK OF HARVARD HAS TOLD DEPARTMENT THAT HE PLANS TO VISIT TAIPEI SEPTEMBER 14-20 FOR DISCUSSIONS WITH ACADEMIC COLLEAGUES PRIMARILY AT ACADEMIA SINICA WHILE A DETERMINED ADVOCATE OF NORMALIZATION, FAIRBANK HAS A STRONG INTEREST IN PRESERVING ACADEMIC AND CULTURAL CONTACTS WITH TAIWAN. HE HAS RECENTLY MENTIONED TO DEPARTMENT (EA/ROC) HIS DESIRE TO BE OF HELP SHOULD SOME GREATER PRIVATE SECTOR EFFORT BE NEEDED TO MAINTAIN ACADEMIC AND CULTURAL RELATIONS AFTER NORMALIZATION, AND WE SUSPECT THAT THIS INTEREST MAY HAVE PROMPTED HIS PRESENT VISIT PLANS.

2. FAIRBANK SAID THAT HE WILL BE APPLYING FOR A VISA AT ROC EMBASSY SEOUL DURING SEPT. 1-14 STAY IN KOREA. (HE CAN BE CONTACTED THERE THROUGH PROF. JUN YOP KIM OF KOREA UNIVERSITY'S ASIATIC RESEARCH CENTER.) FAIRBANK SAID HE WOULD BE WRITING VICE-MINISTER FRED CHIEN ABOUT HIS VISIT IN HOPES  
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OF HEADING OFF ANY POSSIBLE VISA PROBLEMS.

3. FAIRBANK WOULD APPRECIATE OPPORTUNITY TO MEET WITH DCM SULLIVAN IN AMBASSADOR'S ABSENCE. HE PLANS WRITE PAO AYERS ABOUT VARIOUS ACADEMIC AND PERSONAL MATTERS. HE HAS NOT YET DECIDED WHERE HE WILL BE STAYING IN TAIPEI. CHRISTOPHER

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